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SPECIAL NOTICE.

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THE SHOW WEEK AT BIRMINGHAM.

THE lads of the hardware village are going into exhibitions the first week in December with their usual vigour. The Cattle Show, held in Bingley Hall, has now reached its thirtieth anniversary, and exceeds in dimensions in the aggregate all its predecessors. The entries for cattle are 131, sheep 110, pigs 71, roots and barley 130, and poultry and pigeons upwards of 1,600—enough, we should say for the most gluttonous appetite.

Then the vegetable world is going to be represented in their beautiful town-hall; the Handsworth and Lozells committee having arranged for a great show of fruit, flowers, and guards, the entries for which, and the applications for space, are not closed until the 20th of this month.

But the National Exhibition of Sporting and other Dogs is the thing that more legitimately belongs to our province. As Birmingham was the first to introduce to public notice this now popular class of show, we will just trace its progress: that, to say the least, is surprising. It is now in its fourth year, and the experiment on a small scale was tried by Mr. Brinkford, of Knowles, assisted by his sons, and the patronage received, and the expressions of approval on all sides, led to the arrangement of the present staff by that excellent sportsman, Mr. F. Burdett. His exertions as honorary secretary for the first year, the whole of which he personally executed, tended, we fear, to produce that state of health he is now labouring under, but having fairly launched his pet "bark," and established its popularity, he was compelled to withdraw his active aid, and to give only his influence and interest to the matter. The list of influential names on the council, and the published report of the finances, with balance-sheet, gave exhibitors confidence, and the entries steadily increased each year. The president of the last two years (Viscount Curzon) has done an immense amount of good to the show; he has exhibited the greatest interest in its success, attending its committee meetings at great expense and inconvenience, and using his great influence in quarters unsuitable by the

other members. Countenanced and supported in this way, and by such names as Sir John Ratchiff, G. Moore, Esq., W. Lut, Esq., W. A. Adams, Esq., and a host more of good working members, the society has prospered and shows a

The unfortunate conclusion of the Illington exhibition in July last led the management of this one to fear that it would set prejudicially to this, and so no doubt it has to a great extent, as all the public are not of an inquiring turn of mind. We are often apt to condemn a system from a single act, but those who did take the trouble to investigate the matter soon saw the difference between the mere speculation of a private individual and a three-proven scheme, backed by a wealthy committee. Exhibitors who, under the smart of impounded prizes, connected the idea of dog shows and failure will do well to disabuse their minds of these prejudices, and go and see the Birmingham Exhibition. The entries are now closed, and we have been favoured with a rough sketch of them. They reach on the whole 600; and the pointer classes stand numerically first, nearly 100 specimens being entered. 80 setters, 60 spaniels, 60 foreign dogs, 20 greyhounds, nearly 90 terriers, with good entries of fox-hounds, blood-hounds, deer-hounds, Newfoundland, bull-dogs, sheep-dogs, and the gigantic Alpine mastiff, and the tiny toy terrier, weighing 21lb.

The exhibition hall is situated in Paradise-street, half-way between the railway station and Bingley Hall; is 130 yards long, and 16 wide, divided in three avenues the whole length of the building, on both sides of which will be ranged certainly the most extensive show of perfect specimens of the dog ever placed before the public. Every year demonstrates the folly of sending bad dogs, and it now takes a very good one to get a commendation.

The great value of these shows is to show what good dogs are; a great number of persons had but a very vague idea of the names of many sorts of dogs, let alone what were the true characteristics, but now, thanks to the Birmingham Exhibition Committee, the general public can be initiated into the mysteries of dog judgment, and perpetuate the qualities of the best animals of all species by knowing where to get the services of good sires and to purchase good dams.

QUOITS.

MCGREGOR AND WALKINSHAW.—The friends and backers of William McGregor, of South Shields, were much surprised at seeing a paragraph in the ILLUSTRATED SPORTING NEWS last week, purporting to come from W. Walkinshaw, of Carlisle, and setting forth that McGregor had failed to cover £5 which Walkinshaw had just received back from *Bella's* life, and referring to *Bella's* life of October 26; therefore McGregor begs to remind Walkinshaw and his party that he (McGregor) waited for the articles coming from Walkinshaw, but they never arrived, after McGregor had communicated with them respecting sending the articles; therefore, to put all paper talk at a side, McGregor will back himself to play Walkinshaw, or any other man in Scotland, distance 21 yds, for £25 a side, quoits not to exceed 51in. in diameter, pins level, with the clay nearest to the top of the pin to count, all clay cleared at measurement, stiff sticking clay ends, 61 shots up. McGregor will give Walkinshaw £5 for expenses, and share of the gate money for the match to come off in South Shields on New Year's day, Jan. 1, 1863; or if that will not suit Walkinshaw, McGregor will play him a home and home game—the first game to come off in Glasgow, December 27th, and the next game in South Shields on New Year's day; each party to pay his own expenses. The shots he both games to be added together, and the highest number to win. On these conditions Walkinshaw can be on, but not otherwise. An answer through the paper will be attended to; the Editor to be stakeholder. At all events the quoits must be equal in size, which should be 51in. each pin 51in. in diameter. (It appears to us that McGregor now offers a very reasonable mode of settling this long pending dispute about the championship, and Walkinshaw will doubtless accede to the terms proposed. In all former correspondence on this subject we believe the fact that McGregor defeated Walkinshaw in McGaw's handicap at Glasgow, July 13th, 1861, has been omitted.—Ed. I. S. N.)

QUOITS IN EDINBURGH.—This fine old game, says the *Falkirk Herald*, which, of late years, has become so highly popular in the neighbourhood, will, we understand, be revived with great vigour in Edinburgh during the ensuing session of 1863. Several very fine and Modern Athletes was the headquarters of quoits, as there the Caledonian Quotting Club held court during its palmy days, and many first-class players flourished under its auspices. Since Renzie of Ayr lost the championship with Hodson of Duddingh, however, it has gradually declined, and for two or three seasons past quoits has been extremely quiescent. Strong efforts will again be made, however, to restore it to its place amongst the sports of the Edinburgh leagues; and should the movement be successful, and a club established, it is intended to have, amongst other friendly challenges, one to both the Bainsford and Carron Quotting Clubs, so that the thousands who witness the keen contests between the Old Falkirk and Carron Quotting Clubs, many years ago, will again have the pleasure of seeing their favourite game played in a style that will far outstrip that of the good old times.

BOWLING.—Two first-class matches took place on the Town Moor, Newcastle, on Saturday last, before a large concourse of the fancy. The first was between Heaton and Lovett, of South Shields, with 400 bowls across the mile, for £10 a side. The contest was of an A 1 description, both men being particularly determined, and it was only after some spirited competition that Heaton was declared the conqueror by about 60 yds. H. Wardie acted as umpire. The final, which was of a scientific nature, was between Laws, of North Seaton, and H. Brown, the celebrated Scotch ex-champion, with 27oz bowls for £10 a side; distance, about one mile. The "old un" was to be seen, creeping away from his youthful opponent, and although Laws was severed to his utmost, he was nevertheless defeated by upwards of 40 yds.

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DEATH OF TINY.—The poor old Bishop, of Bond-street, the staunch friend of the canine race, has this week received a shock greater than could be inflicted by the most heartless of the dog stealing fraternity—his old and faithful, beautiful and sagacious pet Tiny, whose portrait adorns some of the most celebrated sporting galleries in London, and whose virtues have been recorded in verse in our columns by the "Devonshire Fly," departed this life on Sunday last (Aug. 25th, 1864), at the advanced age of fifteen years, of dropsy—for poor Tiny was a teetotaler—plunging our clerical friend into a sea of grief. The following lines have been penned on the melancholy occasion by "Fly," and handed to us by the heart-broken Bishop:—

On scutched some we mark the hallow'd spot,
Where friends are laid who ne'er can be forgot;
Man pays this tribute to departed worth,
When human troubles flush here on earth.

If friendship merits such a record, then
The dog may surely claim the like from men—
Their best companion, ever faithful friend,
True to the last, devoted to the end!

With rich or poor he shared the meal or crust,
To neither was he known to fall in trust!

With sorrowing hand, in these few lines I trace
The merits of the noblest of her race:

Intelligent as faithful, docile as sincere
(Even as I write I check the falling tear,

Of beauty rare, and instinct unexpressed,
Such was poor "Tiny," even to the last!

Farewell, dear friend! as oft thy grave I view
A master's tear shall this sad spot beque;

Extracted from *Bell's Life*, September 1st, 1864.

F. T.

2. The High Peak Harriers will meet on Saturday, November 22, at 10:00 a.m. in the Harrier Room.

PEDESTRIANISM.

MATCHES TO COME.

NOVEMBER

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- 22.—Booth and Monk—120 yds, £25 a side, Copenhagen Grounds, Manchester.
- 23.—Appley and Crozier—150 yds, £10, at Fenham Park Grounds, Newcastle.
- 24.—Andrew and Thornton—100 yds, £10 a side, Thornton to have five yds start, St. Thomas's, Stanningley.
- 25.—Mole and Whitte—200 yds, £25 a side, Salford.
- 26.—Arving and Hillier—20 yds, £25 a side, Seape Inn, Audenshaw.
- 27.—Boulton and Dawson—300 yds, £10 a side, Dawson to have two yards start, Park Inn, Prestwich.
- 28.—Paul and Shaw—100 miles, £25 a side, Seal to receive a minute and a half start, Bradford New Ground, Manchester.
- 29.—Day and Deerfoot—to run six miles, £25 a side, Garrat-lane.
- 30.—Edmund and Handford—100 yds, £25 in money prizes, Old Strawberry Gardens, West Derby-road, Liverpool.
- 31.—Handicap race, 200 yds, £25 in money prizes, Queen's Hotel, Sheffield.
- 1.—Mower and Priestly—to jump 500 hurdles, 10 yds apart, £25 a side, Fenham Park.
- 2.—Carr and Ellis—once round Hyde Park, Sheffield, £5 a side.
- 3.—Booth and Pearson—120 yds, £10 a side, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.
- 4.—Ben Mole Handicap, £20 in money prizes, Garrat-lane.
- 5.—26.—Harcup, 300 yds, £25 in money prizes, Sheffield.
- 5.—26.—All England Novice Handicap, 200 yds, £5 in money prizes, Hyde Park, Sheffield.
- 6.—26.—All England 250 yds handicap, £35 in money prizes, Hyde Park, Sheffield.
- 7.—Andrew and Shaw—100 yds, £10 a side, Copenhagen Grounds, Manchester.
- 8.—Siddall and Temple—1,350 yds, £10 a side, Victoria Race Grounds, Manchester.
- 9.—Park and Perry—to run three miles and a half, £25 a side, Glasgow.
- 10.—Hutchinson and Stewart, 400 yds, £40, Stewart to have 2 yds start, Fenham Park.
- 11.—Evans and Page—half a mile round Aston Cross Grounds, £5 a side.

METROPOLITAN RACE GROUNDS, HACKNEY WICK.

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TUESDAY.—This was another field day at "The Wick," and the first event which came on for decision was the

100 Yds Match between Gains and Miller.—This was a £10 contest between two notices whose patronymics we have just appended. The latter gave three yards start, but found he had over calculated his own merits, as he himself was defeated.

GEORGE WARWICK (THE EPSOM STAG) AND MURRAY'S UNKNOWN.—This was a spin of 100 yds between the above veterans for a tanner. The betting was 2 to 1 on the Epsom Stag, who looked in his old Garratt-lane form. Much

MEADOWCROFT, THE CELEBRATED WRESTLER.
(From a Photograph by John Eastham, St. Ann's-square, Manchester.)

time was lost at a scratch, and it was not until Richards, the Welshman, had fired a pistol that the disputants left the scene. Murray's man obtained a decided advantage at the start, but the favourite soon assumed the command, and cleared the goal a good length in advance.

THE SIX-MILE CHAMPION BELT.—The ensuing great contest for this much-prized trophy will prove the crack event of the epoch in pedestrian circles. The team of this side is already down, and the final stakeholder has to receive a like amount before the day of publication next week.

ANDREWS AND THE WELSHMAN.—These men have agreed to forward their deposits regularly for their two-mile match, which is fixed for Monday, the 1st of the ensuing month.

COPENHAGEN GROUNDS, WANDSWORTH.

DEEFOOT (THE SENECA INDIAN) AND ALFRED DAY (THE CHAMPION OF YORK-SMITH).—The six-mile contest, for £50 a side, between these two celebrities is fixed for Monday next, at the Copenhagen Grounds, Garrat-lane, Wandsworth. It is expected that the contest will draw an immense deal of interest and excitement in the pedestrian circles of the metropolis. The two champions have been brought out again as the adversary of Young Day, of Brighouse, becomes known from the simple circumstance of these pair of clippers having been both of them taken from the same mill. The contest will be held at the Sheffield, and in which the Englishman bore away the palm of victory. Every preparation, we are assured, will be made to afford the extra accommodation which is so highly anticipated in a struggle of this interesting character, and which is but little less than a record. It is expected that the great counter-attraction to the champion pugilistic match of the week.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC SPORTS.

Stewards: H. B. Middleton, Magdalen College, hon. secretary; W. M. Hoare Esq., hon. treasurer; E. Arkwright, Merton; S. Linton, Wadham; L. Rawstone, Christ Church. Judges: R. E. Evans, Pembroke; Hon. E. Stanhope, All Souls. Referee: Rev. A. H. Faber, New College.

These annual sports came off on Saturday last, on the Magdalen Cricket Ground, Cowley Marsh, and caused great excitement amongst the members of the University. The attendance was unfortunately but limited, in consequence of a report getting abroad that the events were postponed in consequence of unfavourable weather, but the sun evidently inclined to favour the day, and the events came off as announced.

FLAT RACE, quarter of a mile; 13 entries.—Heap, B. N. C., first; Voules, Lincoln, second. Heap took the lead from the commencement, and won easily by 5 yds.

HURDLE RACE, 300 yds, 12 flights; 13 entries.—**Martin**, Exeter, first; **Middleton**, Magdalen, second; **Went**, Exeter, third.

ton, Magdalen, second. Won by 5 yds. Heap broke down when full of running.

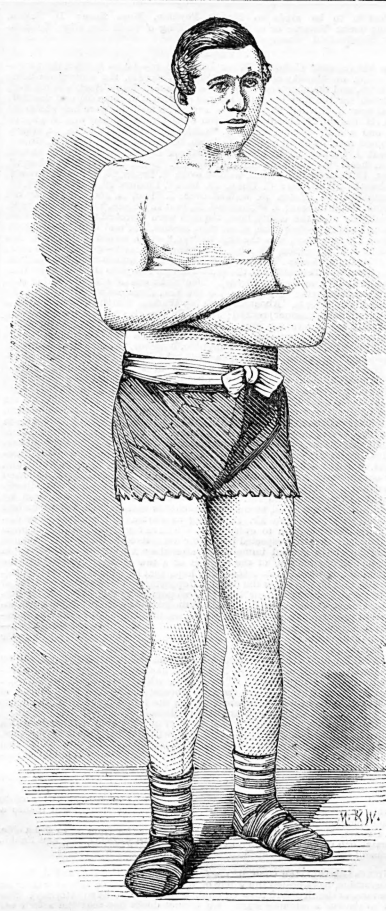
GRADUATES' HURDLE RACE, 300 yds, 12 flights; 6 entries.—Blackburne, Brasseuse first; Hon. E. Stephens, All Souls, second; W. Mansfield, St. John's, third; J. H. Mansfield, St. John's, fourth; J. H. Mansfield, St. John's, fifth; J. H. Mansfield, St. John's, sixth.

THROWING THE HAMMER, 191b; 11 entries.—Carr, Wadham, first, 72ft; Joye, Magdalen, second, 68ft 4in.

SLEEPER CHASE, over two miles of fair hunting country, for the Prince of Wales's Challenge Cup; 11 entries.—Collins, Lincoln, first; Hannan, Merton, second; Evans, Corpus, third; Tyssen, Merton, fourth. Collins took the lead from the commencement, clearing his fences in first-rate style, and won easily by 50 yds. This is the third year in succession that the cup has fallen to Mr. Collins.

SACK RACE; 11 entries.—Nesbitt, Jesus, first; Symonds, Queen, second. Won, after an amusing race, by 2 yds.

NEWCASTLE.

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MEADOWCROFT, THE CELEBRATED WRESTLER.
(From a Photograph by John Eastham, St. Ann's-square, Manchester.)

this lap in 70½ seconds, leading by 1½ yard. In the last lap, when rounding the eastern turn, Bright caught Jackson's spikes, and nearly threw him down; but after running to within 200 yards of the finish he pulled up, Jackson going in by himself. The first half mile was done in very good time, and it was expected that both are no novices at that distance. Mr. Oldham was stakeholder and umpire—Another mile race for £20, came off between John Cowen and John Bright, the former being 6 to 4 and was freely offered on Corbett. The race was excellently contested the whole distance, and resulted in the favourite being beat by about four yards.

BIRMINGHAM

ASTOR CROSS, MONDAY.—A fair sprinkling of visitors attended at these grounds on Monday last, to witness the performances of Hughes and these and other pedestrian crosses. Bridgins ran in many nifty encounters at novice in the art. The present match was six score yards, for £5 a side, and much praise cannot be given for the attention bestowed on Roberts, to whom too had the kindly services of a friend. About three o'clock they appeared at the goal, and the match commenced. The first ball was a low ball, which, from its long continuance, often becomes so wearisome. At the end of the first was the quarter of an hour allowed, Mr. T. Gliese, jun., was called for to run the ball, and he did so in a fine style, and ran up the entire distance, leaving Bridgins transfixed, and in fine condition to follow. The referee, on being appealed to, considered Hughes had not touched the ball, and he was ordered to run the ball again, and he did so, and almost instantaneously afterwards they effected a start, as it appeared, by mutual consent, and Hughes went ahead, while Bridgins, not believing in Hughes, for want of his leisure, a second time making a regular "sell" of his legs, to run in better instructions from his mentor. Average betting at evening, 10 to 100 in favor of Hughes.

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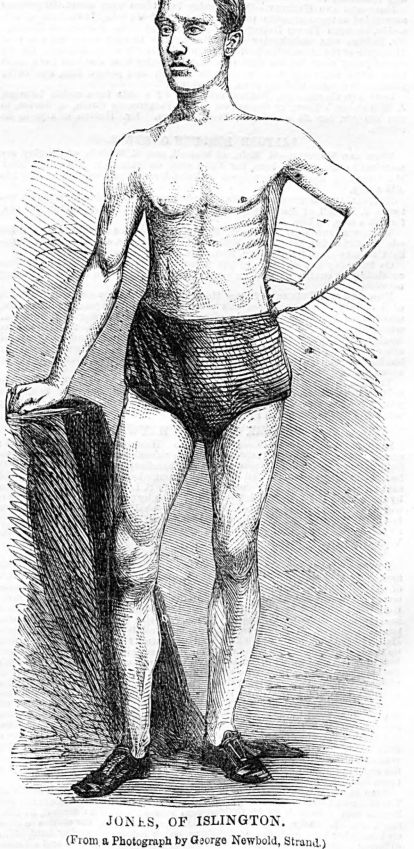
YOUNG FREEMAN will take 5 yds start in a quarter of a mile of Buck Horton, or 10 yds in the same distance of Young Warner; otherwise he will accept 3 yds in 10 score yards of Snob, of Derident; or 7 yds in a quarter of a mile of Snob, of Aston New Town; either match for £5 or £10 a side, or their own sum, and money ready at Jem Spratt's, Britannia Inn, Lancaster-street.

McCABE and Jones, whose 120 yds match was fixed for Monday last, at these grounds, did not put in an appearance, owing to McCabe forfeiting when nearly all the money was down.

unity all the money was down. — On Monday last an extraordinarily large attendance crowded these grounds to witness the 300 yards match between J. Hodgson and Taylor, both of Birmingham, the former being the victor. The match was between J. Hodgson and Taylor, both of Birmingham, the former being the victor. The match was between J. Hodgson and Taylor, both of Birmingham, the former being the victor. The match was between J. Hodgson and Taylor, both of Birmingham, the former being the victor.

Drinking of the blood. Dr. Dripping can be accommodated to run any distance from a quarter of a mile up to a mile, by T. Mordyke, of Neechells, who has heard that he (Dripping) is anxious to run any one of the latter place. A match can be insured through the medium of the ILLUSTRATED SPORTING NEWS.

H. BROWN, of Birmingham, is "ready and willing" to make a match for a six score yards spin with Hodgson, of the same place, for £10 a side; to run



JONES, OF ISLINGTON.

(From a Photograph by George Newbold, Strand.)



BECKLEY, THE GREAT JUMPER.

(From a Photograph.)

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